LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS' MEETING MINUTES

JERRY C. CIRINO, COMMISSIONER JASON W. BOYD, ADMINISTRATOR

JOHN R HAMERCHECK, COMMISSIONER LEGAL COUNSEL

DANIEL P. TROY, COMMISSIONER MIKE MATAS, BUDGET DIRECTOR

JENNIFER BELL, CLERK NEWS MEDIA

(Tape 2018-1129)

CALL TO ORDER: Commissioner Hamercheck called the Meeting to order at 2:03 p.m. Thursday, November 29, 2018

ROLL CALL: Upon the roll being called all were present.

<u>APPROVAL OF MINUTES</u>: Upon a motion by Commissioner Troy, seconded by Commissioner Cirino, the minutes of the regular meeting of November 8, 2018, were approved as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck, and Troy "NAYS": None

RESOLUTIONS:

14. RESOLUTION APPOINTING JOSEPH BUSHER TO THE POSITION OF DIRECTOR OF EMERGENCY MANAGEMENT AGENCY, EFFECTIVE DECEMBER 10, 2018(20181129\C08)(P-504)

On a motion by Commissioner Troy, seconded by Commissioner Cirino. County Administrator, Mr. Jason Boyd, welcomed Mr. Busher to the EMA and stated he will be an excellent Director as his attitude and approach mirrors that of what current EMA Mr. Greene has established. Director of Administrative Services, Mr. Joel DiMare, stated that of the 60+ resumes received for the position of EMA Director, Mr. Busher's immediately rose to the top as an excellent candidate.

Current Emergency Management Director, Mr. Larry Greene, congratulated Mr. Busher and stated that it is critical to have continuity of planning with emergencies. The Board of Commissioners, Mr. Boyd, and Mr. DiMare are to be commended for their exhaustive search in finding the best candidate. He explained that he will remain on the job until January 18, 2019 in order to ensure a seamless transition and to allow time for Mr. Busher to become familiar with his new position. Mr. Greene thanked the Board for the opportunity to serve the residents of Lake County. Mr. Busher thanked the Board, Mr. Greene, Mr. Boyd and Mr. DiMare for their confidence in him and stated that he looks forward to continuing to work with all of the public safety and private agencies to protect the citizens of Lake County.

Commissioner Troy thanked Mr. Greene for his outstanding performance as the County's EMA Director and his ability to get along well with all of the agencies throughout the County. He stated that Mr. Busher is very well prepared to take over the EMA and that he comes from a long line of public safety servants. Commissioner Cirino offered his congratulations to Mr. Busher and his family and stated that he looks forward to working with him. Commissioner Hamercheck also congratulated Mr. Busher and added that he is an exceptional candidate. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck, and Troy "NAYS": None

<u>OPEN TO THE PUBLIC</u>: Commissioner Hamercheck asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the Board. Mr. Dave Lima, 7774 Litchfield Dr. in Mentor, provided a letter to the Board that he presented to Sheriff Dunlap and County Prosecutor, Mr. Coulson. He stated that it included the signatures of 80 Lake County residents urging the Sheriff's Department to rescind any policies that allow Sheriff's employees to hold inmates pursuant to immigration detainers issued by the U.S. Immigration and Customs Enforcement. Mr. Lima offered to meet with the Commissioners at another time to discuss the matter further.

RESOLUTIONS:

1. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING FINAL APPROVAL AND ACCEPTING A THREE-YEAR MAINTENANCE BOND FOR FAIRWAY PINES SUBDIVISION PHASE 1B IN PAINESVILLE TOWNSHIP(20181129\E01)(SD-430)

On a motion by Commissioner Cirino, seconded by Commissioner Hamercheck, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck, and Troy "NAYS": None

2. RESOLUTION APPROVING FINAL ESTIMATE NO. 7 (RELEASE OF RETAINAGE) IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,000.00 WITH JACK GIBSON CONSTRUCTION COMPANY, INC. AND CONTINUING THE CONTRACT BOND IN THE AMOUNT OF \$639,954.00 FOR GLK TRICKLING FILTER REHABILITATION PROJECT 384-S-2016 FOR THE LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF UTILITIES (20181129\U01)(UT-2)

On a motion by Commissioner Troy, seconded by Commissioner Cirino, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck, and Troy "NAYS": None

3. RESOLUTION CERTIFYING UNPAID SEWER AND WATER SUMS AND ADMINISTRATIVE CHARGES TO THE LAKE COUNTY AUDITOR (20181129\U02)(UT-7)

On a motion by Commissioner Cirino, seconded by Commissioner Troy, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck, and Troy "NAYS": None

4. RESOLUTION APPROVING PLANS, SPECIFICATIONS AND ESTIMATES OF COST IN THE AMOUNT OF \$595,900.00 FOR EAST 355TH STREET WATERLINE REPLACEMENT PROJECT 412-W AND ADVERTISING FOR BIDS FOR SAME (BID OPENING: December 19, 2018) (20181129\U03)(UT-8)

On a motion by Commissioner Troy, seconded by Commissioner Cirino, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck, and Troy "NAYS": None

5. RESOLUTION TO AMEND A DELETED SEWER SUM CERTIFIED TO THE LAKE COUNTY AUDITOR (20181129\U04)(UT-7)

On a motion by Commissioner Cirino, seconded by Commissioner Troy, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck, and Troy "NAYS": None

6. RESOLUTION APPROVING LAKE COUNTY DEPARTMENT OF JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES VOUCHERS DATE OF WARRANT DECEMBER 7, 2018, IN THE AMOUNT OF \$80,181.42(20181129\JFS01)(JFS-14)

On a motion by Commissioner Troy, seconded by Commissioner Cirino, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck, and Troy "NAYS": None

7. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF TWO AGREEMENTS BETWEEN THE LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ON BEHALF OF THE LAKE COUNTY SHERIFF'S - CENTRAL COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT AND THE VILLAGE OF GRAND RIVER FOR CENTRAL DISPATCH AND COMMUNICATION SERVICES(20181129\C01)(501-c)

On a motion by Commissioner Cirino, seconded by Commissioner Troy. Captain Warner from the Lake County Sheriff's Department was present and explained that this and the following four resolutions are renewal agreements to utilize the County's Central Dispatch. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck, and Troy "NAYS": None

8. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ON BEHALF OF THE LAKE COUNTY SHERIFF'S - CENTRAL COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT AND THE CONCORD TOWNSHIP BOARD OF TRUSTEES FOR CENTRAL DISPATCH AND COMMUNICATION SERVICES FOR ITS FIRE DEPARTMENT (20181129\C02)(501-c)

On a motion by Commissioner Cirino, seconded by Commissioner Hamercheck, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck, and Troy "NAYS": None

9. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ON BEHALF OF THE LAKE COUNTY SHERIFF'S - CENTRAL COMMUNICATIONS DIVISION AND THE MADISON FIRE DISTRICT FOR CENTRAL DISPATCH AND COMMUNICATION SERVICES(20181129\C03)(501-c)

On a motion by Commissioner Cirino, seconded by Commissioner Troy, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck, and Troy "NAYS": None

10. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ON BEHALF OF THE LAKE COUNTY SHERIFF'S - CENTRAL COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT AND THE PERRY JOINT FIRE DISTRICT FOR CENTRAL DISPATCH AND COMMUNICATION SERVICES(20181129\C04)(501-c)

On a motion by Commissioner Cirino, seconded by Commissioner Hamercheck, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck, and Troy "NAYS": None

11. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE LAKE COUNTY BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS ON BEHALF OF THE LAKE COUNTY SHERIFF'S - CENTRAL COMMUNICATIONS DEPARTMENT AND THE VILLAGE OF PERRY FOR CENTRAL DISPATCH AND COMMUNICATION SERVICES(20181129\C05)(501-c)C-17)

On a motion by Commissioner Cirino, seconded by Commissioner Troy, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck, and Troy "NAYS": None

12. RESOLUTION CERTIFYING TO THE LAKE COUNTY AUDITOR THE 2019 DRAINAGE CHARGES FOR THE LAKE COUNTY REGIONAL SEWER, WATER, AND DRAINAGE DISTRICT(20181129\C06)(UT-46)

On a motion by Commissioner Cirino, seconded by Commissioner Hamercheck. Mr. Tim Miller, Stormwater Management Director, stated that the 2019 rates will remain the same with no increase. The annual user fee will remain at \$3.50 per month or \$42.00 annually. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck, and Troy "NAYS": None

13. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING PAYMENT TO VARIOUS LAKE COUNTY POLICE PROSECUTORS FOR THE SECOND HALF OF 2018 (20181129\C07)(CT-8)

On a motion by Commissioner Troy, seconded by Commissioner Cirino, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck, and Troy "NAYS": None

15. RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING ACCEPTING THE RECOMMENDATION FROM LAKE COUNTY OHIO PORT AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY FOR A LAKESHORE IMPROVEMENT PROJECT IN MENTOR-ON-THE-LAKE, OHIO AND MENTOR, OHIO (20181129\C09)(209g)

On a motion by Commissioner Cirino, seconded by Commissioner Hamercheck. Lake County Port Authority Director of Coastal Development, Mr. Peter Zahirsky, explained that Lakeshore Improvement Project has advanced from the Determination of Federal Interest stage to being approved for a feasibility study and that they have agreements with the involved parties. He stated that the Mentor Harbor Channel Project has the support of the City of Mentor and the Mentor Harbor Yacht club and he gave the details of work that will be done. Mr. Zahirsky also provided a memo to the Board and explained in detail the financing of the project. The foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck, and Troy "NAYS": None

16. RESOLUTION APPROVING PAYMENT OF BILLS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$1,151,916.96(20181129\BC01)(C-4)

On a motion by Commissioner Troy, seconded by Commissioner Cirino, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck, and Troy "NAYS": None

17. RESOLUTION APPROVING PURCHASE ORDERS AS LISTED ON THE COMMISSIONERS' PURCHASE ORDER APPROVAL JOURNAL IN THE AMOUNT OF \$270,129.95(20181129\BC02)(C-17)

On a motion by Commissioner Troy, seconded by Commissioner Cirino, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck, and Troy "NAYS": None

18. RESOLUTION INCREASING APPROPRIATIONS FOR VARIOUS GENERAL AND NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS (20181129\BC03)(C-111)

On a motion by Commissioner Troy, seconded by Commissioner Cirino, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck, and Troy "NAYS": None

19. RESOLUTION TRANSFERRING CASH AND APPROPRIATIONS WITHIN VARIOUS GENERAL AND NON-GENERAL FUND ACCOUNTS(20181129\BC04)(C-111)

On a motion by Commissioner Troy, seconded by Commissioner Cirino, the foregoing resolution was adopted with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck, and Troy "NAYS": None

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

<u>UTILITIES</u> – Director of Administration, Mr. Matthew Armand, reported the Solid Waste District has entered into a contract with Rumpke Waste & Recycling for a drop-off recycling bin to be placed at the Lake County Landfill which will be available for all Lake County residents and businesses free of charge. The program will be effective as of December 3rd.

Sanitary Engineer, Mr. Randy Rothlisberger, stated that, as a precaution, the Department of Utilities issued a boil alert on November 21st for portions of Willoughby, Willoughby Hills and Wickliffe as a result of a pump malfunction at the Route 91 and 84 water tower. He explained multiple water samples were collected and analyzed. It was determined that there were no positive samples and that no contamination was detected. The Utilities Department placed notifications on their social media pages and website and once the boil alert was lifted, residents were notified through a Reverse-911 call, social media pages, and through their website.

JOB AND FAMILY SERVICES – none
COUNTY ADMINISTRATOR –none.

FINANCE – none.

CLERK -none.

LEGAL - none.

OLD BUSINESS: - none.

NEW BUSINESS: Commissioner Troy stated that he continues to have concerns about the County's 2019 Budget Process and over the years, past Boards have had to make tough decisions to get the County into the good fiscal health that the County currently enjoys. He also expressed his concerns about the sales tax rates, the 2012 increase, and his concerns should there be a proposed County sales tax reduction and the effect it would have on not only the 2019 County operating budget but also future County operating budgets.

<u>PUBLIC COMMENT</u>: Commissioner Hamercheck asked if anyone in the audience wished to address the Board. Ms. Ellen Chamberlin, of Willoughby, asked for more information regarding agenda item #15. Mr. Zahirsky explained the details of the Lakeshore Improvement Project (Mentor Harbor Channel Project) and the feasibility study, and provided the exact location of the project and work that is planned at the Yacht Club.

Ms. Patricia Denny of Concord Twp., commended Commissioner Troy on his lengthy service to the County. She agrees with his worry about taxes and the unmet needs throughout the County. Commissioner Troy explained the primary responsibility of County government is to provide the services of civilization that are mandated by the State of Ohio.

Ms. Mary Ellen Struze, of Briar Hill Drive in Kirtland, thanked Commissioner Troy for his many years of service and thanked the entire Board for their service and hoped that they will offer their continued support of the necessary services that Lake County offers.

Ms. Lois Osborn, 334 S. St. Clair in Painesville, commended Commissioner Troy for his years of service and making Lake County a better place to live. She expressed her concerns regarding the recent campaign rhetoric. Ms. Osborn also expressed her concerns with funding to Job and Family Services. The Board stated that at this time, they are unaware of any funding issues for Jobs and Family Services other than the expected losses due to the MCO Sales Tax.

The Board discussed with several members of the public the County budget process and different funding streams Lake County agencies may receive.

Commissioner Troy addressed Mr. Lima's statement in the first public portion. Commissioner Troy stated that the issue has come up at several NACo meetings and that his comment regarding financial exposure to the County is not an incorrect statement and he believes that discussions are in order to ensure the County properly complies with the laws.

NOVEMBER 29, 2018

Commissioner Hamercheck stated that the next regular Commissioner's Meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, December 4, 2018 at 10:00 a.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

BOARD OF LAKE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

On a motion Commissioner Cirino, seconded by Commissioner Hamercheck, the Board convened an Executive Session at 11:15 a.m. to discuss Personnel – Compensation and Real Estate-Potential Land Negotiations with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck, and Troy "NAYS": None

The Lake County Board of Commissioners adjourned to Executive Session at 11:15 a.m.

ADJOURN:

On a motion by Commissioner Cirino, seconded by Commissioner Hamercheck, the Board adjourned the meeting at 11:20 a.m. with the vote as follows: "AYES": Commissioners: Cirino, Hamercheck, and Troy "NAYS": None Minutes approved this thirteenth day of December, 2018.

JOHN R. HAMERCHECK, PRESIDENT	JERRY C. CIRINO, COMMISSIONER
DANIEL P. TROY, COMMISSIONER	JENNIFER BELL, CLERK